GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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REPORT OF AMNESTY INTERNATIONAL ON HUMAN RIGHTS
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Amnesty International or any other International Human Rights Organization has reported instances of suppression of human rights in the country during the current year;and

(b) if so,the details thereof,State-wise and the reaction of the Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS(DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) & (b): Amnesty International is an International NGO based in London and is one among the many NGOs based out side India which bring out reports on alleged human rights violations,from time to time,all over the world,including India.The methods used by such organizations to gather information have often been questioned,particularly as they are not free from bias.It is not the policy of the Government to react to such reports by International NGOs on internal matters of India.

However,Government of India is committed to take all necessary measures to protect the human rights of all its citizens.The Indian Constitution contains extensive safeguards for the protection of human rights.In addition,the National Human Rights Commission has also been set up under the Protection of Human Rights Act,1993 to provide an effective mechanism for the promotion and protection of human rights,and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.